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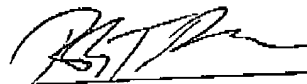
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Sir:

Applicant gratefully acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Allowability, Notice of Allowance, and Issue Fee dated July 28, 2004.

However, Applicant has not yet received acknowledgement of the IDS Letter Citing Application (copy attached) that was filed on September 13, 2002. In view of the fact that the cited application was the basis of a double-patenting rejection, Applicant understands that the application was considered. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of the IDS Letter Citing Application by signing, dating, and returning (to the undersigned) the enclosed copy of the IDS Letter Citing Application form filed on September 13, 2002.

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Furthermore, Applicant notes that there has been no acknowledgment of the formal drawings filed April 8, 2003. Applicant hereby requests acknowledgement of the same.

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